

THE STATES assembled on Tuesday, 3rd February, 1987 at 10.15 a.m. under the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff, Vernon Amy Tomes, Esquire.

All members were present with the exception of -

Senator Reginald Robert Jeune – out of the Island.

Sir Martin Le Quesne, Deputy of St. Saviour – out of the Island.

John Philip Farley, Deputy of St. Helier – ill.

Prayers

Housing Regulations: application of Regulation 1(1)(g). (P.12/87): report. P.26/87.

The Housing Committee by Act dated 30th January, 1987, presented to the States a Report on the application of Regulation 1(1)(g) of the Housing Regulations.

THE STATES ordered that the said Report be printed and distributed.

North and East Telephone Exchanges: transfer of administration. P.19/87. Deferred.

THE STATES acceded to the request of the President of the Housing Committee that the Proposition relating to the transfer of administration of the North and East Telephone Exchanges (lodged on 20th January, 1987) be deferred from the present Sitting.

37 Price: 50p

Sheltered Workshop, Highlands: Chairman of the Board of Management.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Social Security Committee, approved the nomination of Advocate Anthony John Olsen as Chairman of the Board of Management of the Sheltered Workshop at Highlands.

Ferry Berths, West of Albert Pier: purchase of foreshore. P.170/86.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Harbours and Airport Committee –

- (a) approved the purchase from the Crown of the freehold of the foreshore of the area required for the development of roll-on/roll-off ferry berths to the west of the Albert Pier, Port of St. Helier, measuring 25.36 acres, as shown outlined in red on Drawing No. 422/1, for a consideration of £88,760;
- (b) authorised the Attorney General and the Greffier of the States to pass the necessary contract in the matter:
- (c) authorised the Treasurer of the States to pay the requisite sum out of the Capital vote of credit granted to the Committee under the heading "Port of St. Helier General Development" (Vote No. C0240).

Police Force (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law, 1987. P.17/86.

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled the Police Force (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law, 1987.

Report on Gambling: proposals. P.4/87.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Gambling Control Committee, agreed –

- (a) that registered societies should be allowed to play bingo not more than once weekly instead of not more than once fortnightly;
- (b) that the price limits of not more than 20p and not less than £5 on tickets in lotteries promoted under Regulation 12 of the Gambling (Gaming and Lotteries) (Jersey) Regulations, 1965 should be continued;
- (c) that gaming machines should not be introduced into the Island:
- (d) that the maximum payout from amusement with prizes machines in licensed amusement premises should be increased from 50p to £1.50;
- (e) that the ratio of amusement only and amusement with prizes machines in licensed amusement premises should be limited to three to one:
- (f) that a betting tax should not be introduced;
- (g) that and in-depth study on the feasibility of a casino should not be undertaken by independent consultants;
- (h) that the use of television (and radio) be allowed in betting offices to broadcast sporting events and that the showing of videos of previous sporting events, for entertainment only, be permitted.

Franchise (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law, 1987. P.7/87.

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled the Franchise (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law, 1987.

Agricultural Industry: continuation of cattle export subsidies. P.11/87.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Agriculture and Fisheries Committee, referred to their Act of 16th October, 1984 and agreed to continue the export support scheme for cattle for a further year involving an expenditure of £35,000.

Haut de la Garenne: transfer of administration, P.13/87.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Education Committee, approved the transfer of administration of Haut de la Garenne from the Education Committee to the Public Works Committee.

Non-Contributory Pension Scheme. P.8/87.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Social Security Committee, agreed that –

- (a) persons who were born before 10th September, 1896, and who are ordinarily resident in Jersey and have been so for an aggregate period of 12 years since 10th September, 1951, should, irrespective of means, be entitled to receive out of the Annual Income of the States with effect from the date of the adoption of this Proposition, a non-contributory pension equal to the rate of the old age pension for the time being payable under the First Schedule to the Social Security (Jersey) Law, 1974;
- (b) the increase payable in respect of an adult dependent should be 66 per cent of that rate;
- (c) otherwise the conditions applicable to the receipt of a pension under the Non-Contributory Pensions (Jersey) Law, 1954, should apply.

Draft Shops (Sunday Trading) (No. 6) (Jersey) Regulations, 198. P.115/86.

THE STATES commenced consideration of the draft Shops (Sunday Trading) (No. 6) (Jersey) Regulations, 198, and adopted the Preamble. Regulations 1, 2 and 3 were referred back.

Members present voted for the Preamble as follows –

"Pour" (31)

Senators

Vibert, Binnington, Horsfall, Baal, Rothwell, Le Main, Manton, Brooke.

Connétables

Trinity, St. Brelade, St. Martin, St. Peter, St. Helier, St. Clement, St. Lawrence, St. Mary, St. Ouen, St. Saviour.

Deputies

St. Ouen, Morel(S), Roche(S), Filleul(H), Vandervliet(L), Le Fondré(L), Grouville, Beadle(B), Thorne(B), St. John, Carter(H) Mahoney(H), St. Martin.

"Contre" (14)

Senator

Shenton.

Connétable

St. John.

Deputies

Mourant(H), Le Maistre(H), Quénault(B), Le Gallais(S), Le Brocq(H), Trinity, St. Mary, Blampied(H), Billot(S), Norman(C) St. Peter, Baudains(C).

Draft Shops (Sunday Trading) (No. 7) (Jersey) Regulations, 198. P.148/86.

THE STATES commended consideration of the draft Shops (Sunday Trading) (No. 7) (Jersey) Regulations, 198, and adopted the Preamble. Regulations 1 and 2 were referred back.

Members present voted for the Preamble as follows –

"Pour" (37)

Senators

Vibert, Shenton, Binnington, Horsfall, Baal, Rothwell, Manton, Brooke.

Connétables

Grouville, Trinity, St. Brelade, St. Martin, St. Peter, St. Helier, St. Clement, St. Lawrence, St. Mary, St. Ouen, St. Saviour.

Deputies

Mourant(H), St. Ouen, Morel(S), Le Maistre(H), Roche(S), Le Brocq(H), Vandervliet(L), Grouville, St. Mary, Beadle(B), Thorne(B), Blampied(H), Billot(S), St. John, Carter(H), Mahoney(H), St. Martin, Baudains(C).

"Contre" (4)

Deputies

Quénault(B), Trinity, Norman(C), St. Peter.

Draft Shops (Sunday Trading) (No. 8) (Jersey) Regulations, 198. P.165/86.

THE STATES commenced consideration of the draft Shops (Sunday Trading) (No. 8) (Jersey) Regulations, 198, and adopted the Preamble. Regulations 1 and 2 were referred back.

Fort Regent Rotunda: approval of Drawings. P.20/87.

THE STATES, adopting a Proposition of the Fort Regent Development Committee –

- (a) approved Drawings Nos. 560C/846, 561C/846, 562B/846, 563A/846, 564B/846, 565/846, 566A/846 and 567/846 showing the development of the Rotunda;
- (b) authorised the Greffier of the States to sign the said Drawings on behalf of the States.

THE STATES rose at 5.00 p.m.

E.J.M. POTTER,

Greffier of the States.